

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Yoko ASAKURA, et al.

SERIAL NO: 09/577,005

GAU: 1652

FILED: May 25, 2000

EXAMINER: Ramirez, D.M.

METHOD OF CONSTRUCTING AMINO ACID PRODUCING BACTERIAL STRAINS, AND
METHOD OF PREPARING AMINO ACIDS BY FERMENTATION WITH THE CONSTRUCTED
AMINO ACID PRODUCING BACTERIAL STRAINS



REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

It is hereby requested that a two month extension of time be granted to July 10, 2004 for

- ☒ filing a response to the Official Action dated: February 10, 2004
- ☐ responding to the requirements in the Notice of Allowability dated:
- ☐ filing the Formal Drawings. The Issue Fee due has been timely filed.
- ☐ responding to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated:
- ☐ filing a Notice of Appeal. A timely response to the final rejection, due has been filed.
- ☐ filing an Appeal Brief. A Notice of Appeal was filed on:
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown below is reduced by one-half.

The required fee of \$420.00 is enclosed herewith by credit card payment and any further charges may be made against the Attorney of Record's Deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully Submitted,

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